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The reply filed on 4/8/08 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant does not indicate how newly presented claims 25-31 overcome the prior art references. Applicant claims the newly added claims further define the scope of the invention, but Applicant does not explain newly added independent claim 25. Therefore, Applicant's argument that the scope is further defined would only seem to satisfy the addition of claims 21-24 added to depend, directly or indirectly, on independent claim 1. MPEP 714.02 states that, "[t]he reply must present arguments pointing out the specific distinctions believed to render the claims, including any newly presented claims, patentable over any applied references." See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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